## **DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**



UNITED STATES ARMY NATO REGIONAL COMMAND SOUTH PSC 813, BOX 156 FPO AE 09620

ACAS-BC 1 March 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR All US Army National Element Personnel, Regional Command South

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum #8 - Uniforms

## 1. References:

- a. AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, 5 September 2003.
- b. AFSOUTH Directive 5-18
- c. Subordinate Southern Region (SR) NATO Headquarters' uniform directives, as applicable.
- 2. This policy is applicable to all US Army personnel assigned to the US Army NATO Regional Command South (AFSOUTH) Battalion and its subordinate units at locations in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Greece, and Turkey. This policy also applies to personnel assigned to NATO Peacetime Establishment (PE) positions.
- 3. In order to project a uniform and professional appearance throughout the command, the following policy is established:
  - a. Personnel in PE positions.
- (1) The senior Army officer (SAO) at each headquarters location will prescribe the duty uniform for all PE personnel. In the absence of the SAO, PE personnel will comply with uniform guidance from the senior US officer, or if no US officer available, from their NATO chain of supervision.
- (2) RHQ AFSOUTH PE personnel will wear the NATO pocket flash as prescribed by reference b when in class "A" or class "B" uniform. USA NATO PE personnel at subordinate Southern Region NATO Headquarters will wear the corresponding pocket flash (if any) as prescribed in their headquarters' uniform directives when in class "A" or class "B" uniform.
- (3) The USA NATO AFSOUTH Battalion S-4 will procure the pocket flash for hand receipt to PE personnel through unit supply channels. Unit commanders will coordinate with the S-4 for procurement and re-supply. Pocket flash and mounting tabs must be returned to unit supply at the end of each soldier's tour. The requirement to wear the pocket flash will not be effective for a given location until the items are available for issue from unit supply.

b. Personnel assigned to US Army Element (non-PE) positions. The duty uniform for US Army Element personnel, during duty hours, while on a US or NATO installation is BDU with beret.

## c. All Personnel.

- (1) When in formation, sleeves of BDUs will be worn rolled up from 1 April until 31 October, and sleeves will be down from 1 November until 31 March.
- (2) Qualified personnel may substitute Aviation BDUs or flight suits for standard BDUs.
- (3) The uniform for unit training events (i.e. PT, Class "A" inspections, etc.) will be as stated on unit training schedules.
  - d. Force Protection Implications.
- (1) When the Anti-Terrorist Force Protection Condition is at or below Bravo Plus, all personnel are encouraged to conduct off-post travel, both to and from work as well as travel off-post during the duty day, in civilian clothes. If uniforms are worn, uniform headgear and uniform jackets and/or blouses will be removed or otherwise covered.
- (2) When the Anti-Terrorist Force Protection Condition is above Bravo Plus, all personnel are prohibited from traveling off-post in uniform. To minimize the disruption to duty activities, when the Anti-Terrorist Force Protection Condition is at Charlie, short trips between installations for official business may be conducted in uniform, at the discretion of the first Sergeant First Class or above in the soldier's supervisory chain. If approved, headgear and uniform jackets and/or blouses must be removed or otherwise covered.
- 4. This policy is directive in nature, and violations are chargeable under Article 92, UCMJ.
- 5. This policy is effective 1 March 2004, and supercedes all previous uniform policies.

LTC, AG Commanding

2